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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (currently amended) A primary <u>battery</u>, battery having a battery discharge voltage, said primary battery comprising:

one or more anodes that include electrode comprising lithium;
one or more cathodes additional electrode; said at least one electrode comprising
lithium having a total capacity less greater than a total capacity of the one or more anodes
said one or more additional electrode; and

a nonaqueous electrolyte <u>including a comprising a</u> component having a decomposition voltage of between about 1 V and the said battery discharge voltage, the battery discharge voltage being higher then 1 V.

- 2. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the component includes said electrolyte comprises a lithium bis(chelato)borate.
- 3. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 2 claim 2, wherein the said lithium bis(chelato)borate comprises lithium bis(oxalato)borate (LiBOB).
- 4. (canceled)
- 5. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 3 claim 3, wherein the one or more cathodes include said battery comprises carbon.
- 6. (canceled)
- 7. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 3 claim 3, wherein the one or more cathodes include said additional electrode comprises fluorinated carbon.

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- 8. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said component is one of a plurality of components in the electrolyte that each has comprises two or more components having a decomposition voltage of between about 1 V and the said battery discharge voltage.
- 9. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said component is includes one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of vinylene carbonate (VC) and earbonate (VC), vinyl ethylene carbonate (VEC), and mixtures thereof.
- 10. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said component is includes one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of: lithium cyclopentadienide and cyclopentadienide, lithium tetramethylcyclopentadienide, and mixtures thereof.
- 11. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said component includes comprises vinyl sulfolane.
- 12. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the eaid component includes comprises carbon disulfide (CS_2).
- 13. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said decomposition voltage is between about 1 V and about 3.5 V.
- 14. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 13 claim 13, wherein the said decomposition voltage is between about 1 V and about 3 V.
- 15. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 13 claim 13, wherein the said decomposition voltage is between about 1 V and about 2 V.

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- 16. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 13 claim 13, wherein the said decomposition voltage is between about 1.5 V and about 3 V.
- 17. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 13 claim 13, wherein the said decomposition voltage is between about 1.5 V and about 2 V.
- 18. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said electrolyte further comprises one or more solvents selected from the group consisting of: propylene carbonate (PC), 1,2-dimethoxyethane (DME), diethyl carbonate (DEC), propyl acetate (PA), gamma-butyrolactone (GBL), tetrahydrofuran (THF), dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO), ethylene carbonate (EC), ethyl methyl carbonate (EMC), and dimethylcarbonate (DMC).
- 19. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the said electrolyte includes comprises a polymer electrolyte.
- 20. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein said primary battery has a theoretical capacity and an actual capacity and wherein said an actual capacity of the battery is at least 10% greater than a said theoretical capacity of the battery.
- 21. (currently amended) The primary battery of claim 1 claim 1, wherein said primary battery has a theoretical capacity and an actual capacity and wherein said an actual capacity of the battery is at least 20% greater than a said theoretical capacity of the battery.
- 22. (currently amended) The primary battery of claim 1 claim 1, wherein said primary battery has a theoretical capacity and an actual capacity and wherein said an actual capacity of the battery is at least 30% greater than a said theoretical capacity of the battery.

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- 23. (canceled)
- 24. (currently amended) The primary battery of claim 23 claim 5, wherein the said carbon is fluorinated.
- 25. (currently amended) The primary battery of claim 24 claim 24, wherein the one or more cathodes include said additional electrode further comprises silver vanadium oxide.
- 26. (canceled)
- 27. (currently amended) The primary battery of elaim 1 claim 1, wherein the one or more anodes includes said lithium electrode comprises a material selected from the group consisting of: pure lithium metal, an alloy of lithium, mixed metals containing lithium, lithium silicon, lithium silicon oxide, lithium graphite intercalation compound (LiGIC), and other lithiated carbon.

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